

South Acton Train Station Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2011

Committee Members Present:

David Martin
Nick Zavolas
Pat Clifford
Peter Berry
Sean Hanley

Committee Members Not Present:

Dore' Hunter
Jim Yarin
John Sonner
Michaela Moran
Tom Campbell

Other Attendees:

Clare Siska
Corey York
David Barrat
David Honn
Pamela Harting-Barrat

Mr. Berry called the meeting to order at 7:40.

Mr. Berry will try to reschedule the meeting with the MBTA for Friday 28 January.

Mr. Honn reported that the HDC sent a letter to the FTA, and that any further action is now the hands of the MHC. Ms. Siska noted that it's been a month since that letter was sent.

The committee discussed the recent response from Francis Depaola of the MBTA. The committee brainstormed the following lists to aid discussion with the MBTA in the next meeting.

The committee believes that there is general agreement with the MBTA on these items:

- additional platform canopy under bridge
- area under stairs as waiting area
- glazing patterns
- more opaque materials
- open portal

Further discussion with the MBTA is required to determine if some accommodation could be made in these areas. One possibility is add-alternate line items, if the bids come in less than expected.

- larger canopies with supports
- more gracious entrance
- reducing the height of the south tower (or look)
- upper roof line integration

The following line items could be removed or modified in the plan to reduce cost.

- landscaping
- screens over glazing

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03.

The next SATSAC meeting is scheduled for 7:30 on Thursday 03 February at the COA.

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Links:

<http://www.acton-ma.gov/index.aspx?nid=244> is the SATSAC page.

<http://www.calltoacton.org/> is the local advocacy group.

<http://www.littletonma.org/content/49/3594/5590/default.aspx> is Littleton's MBTA Commuter Rail Advisory Committee.

http://www.mbta.com/about_the_mbtat/projects/default.asp?id=15585 is the MBTA site about the project.